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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Sir:

In connection with the Office Action mailed November 28, 2007, Applicant hereby submits the following response to the Office Action.

Claim amendments are provided in the listing of claims, which start on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this response.